

AN ORDINANCE

BY COUNCILMEMBERS C. T. MARTIN & DEBI STARNES



AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF SECTION 2-2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, TO ALLOW THE NAME OF BUTLER STREET, NE IN ITS ENTIRETY TO BE CHANGED TO JESSE HILL, JR. DRIVE, NE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr. has been vital to the Atlanta Community, committing his time, talent and energy as longtime resident of the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill the retired Chairman, President and CEO of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill did acquire his entrepreneurship skills from his Grandpa Major Dennis during his youth in St. Louis, Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill brought these considerable skills with him to Atlanta in 1949 when he arrived here to pursue his dream; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill did stay at the Butler Street YMCA upon arriving in Atlanta and later met and married his wife (Azira) of forty-six (46) years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill is recognized for championing efforts that caused tangible change in the Atlanta's African American Community, such as voter education campaigns, Board member of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), MARTA, Delta Airlines, SunTrust Bank, Knight Ridder, S & H and the list goes on; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill is known for his ability to build coalitions and find common ground in the forefront or behind the scene; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill was instrumental in the political success of former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young, President Jimmy Carter and other local politicians; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill was the first African American to serve as President of the Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill has continued his behind the scenes and up front involvement in the political and social scene here in Atlanta and has no plans of slowing down at the ripe ol' age of seventy-five.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA:

SECTION 1: That Section 2-2 of the Code of Ordinances of the Atlanta City be waived which requires that the person be eighty-five (85) years of age or dead for one (1) year before a street or facility can be named after an individual.

SECTION 2: That Butler Street, NE in its entirety is hereby renamed to Jesse Hill, Jr. Drive, NE.

SECTION 3: The changes are effective upon the Mayor's approval.

SECTION 4: That the appropriate City agencies, including but not limited to the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Planning and the Clerk of Council, are hereby directed to take such steps as are necessary to have the name changed on street signs, maps and other official documents and markers.

SECTION 5: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be hereby repealed.

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FINAL COUNCIL ACTION

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Readings

☐ Consent ☐ V Vote ☐ RC Vote

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MAYOR'S ACTION